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40 Pitkin Street, Manchester, Connecticut, 06040

Concordia's WHY/Purpose Statement

**To be a welcoming and inviting community empowered by the Word of God;
So that we may work for social justice and exhibit compassion for all**

December 1, 2024

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Introduction: Advent is about the “coming days.” God’s people have always lived in great expectation, but that expectation finds specific, repeated enunciation in the texts appointed for these four weeks. The ancients anticipated a “righteous Branch to spring up for David.” The Thessalonians awaited “the coming of our Lord Jesus with all the saints.” Jesus’ contemporaries hoped for the time “to stand before the Son of Man.” With them we eagerly await the coming days: another Christmas celebration, a second coming, and the advent of Christ in word and supper.

We prepare for worship in quiet prayer and meditation

Prelude: *He Who Has Ears, Let Him Hear* - Jean Langlais *John Anderson, Organist*

Welcome

Confessions and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

As we await the day of the Lord, let us confess our sin.

The assembly may kneel or be seated.

People of God: prepare!
God, above all, maker of all,
is one with us in Christ.

Maranatha!**

Come, Lord Jesus!

God, the mighty God,
bends down in love to earth.

Maranatha!

Come, Lord Jesus!

God with us, God beside us,
comes soon to the world he has
made.

Maranatha!

Come, Lord Jesus!

All stand as able.

***Maranatha is an Aramaic (the language Jesus spoke) phrase that can be translated as “Come, Lord!” It is used especially in the season of Advent when we call on the Lord to come again to set things right once more.*

G A T H E R I N G

The Holy Spirit call us together as the people of God.

Gathering Hymn

Rejoice, Rejoice Believers

ELW 244

As we encircle this wreath with blessing, as it is gradually illumined, let our hearts and minds be stirred up to greet your reign.

Rouse your household from its sleep, O God. Make us to beat our swords of war into plows that work in peace. Then nation will not lift up sword against nation and all your

children will be ready to welcome your promised day of peace.

We welcome your presence now with the lighting of this candle, whose flame brings warmth to winter and fills this place with the glow of hope.
Amen.

Lighting of Advent Candle *Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah (verse 1)* ELW 240

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection alert us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and redeem us for your life of justice, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

All are seated.

T H E W O R D

God speaks to us in Scripture reading, preaching and song



The First Reading:

Jeremiah 33:14-16

In the Old Testament, “righteousness” often has to do with being faithful in relationship. God acts righteously both in punishing Israel for its sin and in having mercy. In today’s reading, Jerusalem’s future name—“The Lord is our righteousness”—proclaims that God is even now working salvation for Israel.

¹⁴ The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ¹⁵ In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ¹⁶ In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: “The Lord is our righteousness.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

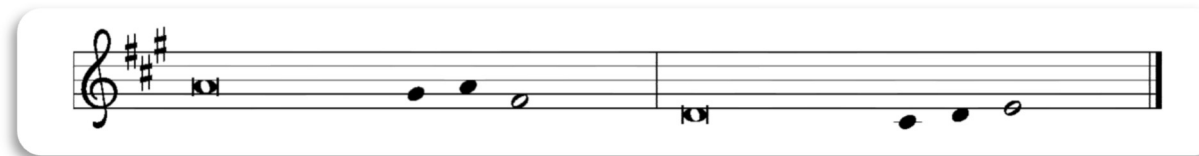
The Psalm:

Psalm 25:1-10



To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

Tone



¹To | you, O Lord,
I lift | up my soul.

²**My God, I put my trust in you; let
me not be | put to shame,
nor let my enemies triumph | over me.**

³Let none who look to you be | put to shame;
rather let those be put to shame | who are
treacherous.

⁴**Show me your | ways, O Lord,
and teach | me your paths. R**

⁵Lead me in your | truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation; in you
have I trusted all | the day long.

⁶**Remember, O Lord, your compas- | sion
and love,**



for they are from | everlasting. R
⁷Remember not the sins of my youth
and | my transgressions;
remember me according to your
steadfast love and for the sake of your
good- | ness, O Lord.

⁸**You are gracious and up- | right, O Lord;
therefore you teach sinners | in your
way.**

⁹You lead the low- | ly in justice
and teach the low- | ly your way.

¹⁰**All your paths, O Lord, are
steadfast | love and faithfulness
to those who keep your covenant and
your | testimonies. R**

Second Reading:

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

Upon Timothy's report from the congregation at Thessalonica, Paul is exuberant with gratitude for them. In this passage from his letter, Paul voices overflowing thanks, joy, and blessings for the people of this growing church.

⁹How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? ¹⁰Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

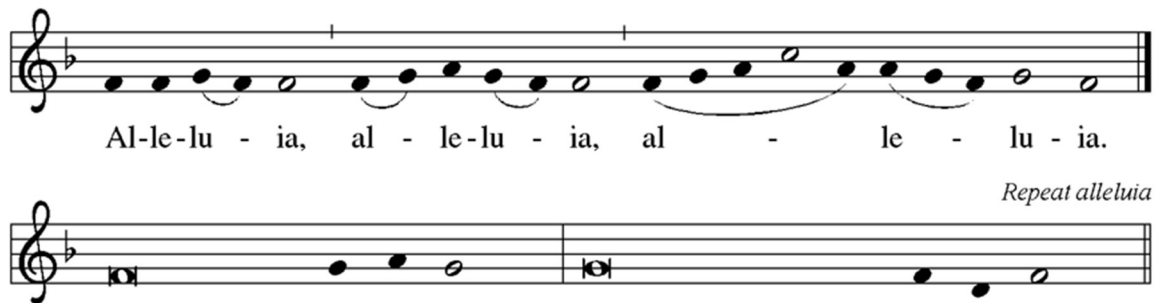
¹¹Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. ¹²And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. ¹³And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

All Stand as able.

The Gospel Acclamation



Stand up and | raise your heads—* your redemption is | drawing near. *Alleluia. (Luke 21:28)*

The Holy Gospel: Luke 21:25-36

God will fulfill God's purposes and, already, hidden signs of that fulfillment abound. On that great day there will be dismay, perplexity, confusion, and terror, but God's people shall be given strength to stand boldly and receive God's promised redemption.

The Holy Gospel according to Luke...

Glory to you, Oh Lord.

[Jesus said:] ²⁵ "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. ²⁶ People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷ Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. ²⁸ Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

²⁹ Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; ³⁰ as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. ³¹ So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. ³² Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. ³³ Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³⁴ "Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, ³⁵ like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶ Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

All are seated.

The Sermon

Pastor Rolf Hedberg

All stand as able.

Hymn of the Day

Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying

ELW 436

✝ Nicene Creed

Together with all the people of God, let us confess our faith:

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Amen.



Prayers of Intercession

As we prepare for Emmanuel, God-with-us, let us pray for all people and places that long for God's presence.

A brief silence.

God of righteousness, your people live in hopeful expectation of your coming. Fill your church with renewed passion for our shared mission, and deepen our relationships with other Christians and other faith traditions in our local community and across the world. Lord, in your mercy,
receive our prayer.

God of the cosmos, all creation shows that your presence is near. Help us sense your goodness and love in the sun and moon, in sprouting leaves and bare branches, in the roaring sea and quiet breeze. Lord, in your mercy,
receive our prayer.

God of the nations, your reign extends over all principalities and powers. Give leaders and all in authority hearts for justice and peace. Encourage efforts to enact policies that benefit the common good. Lord, in your mercy,
receive our prayer.

God of change, you accompany us through life's transitions. Be near to all who are changing jobs, moving, welcoming children, or facing the loss of loved ones. Sustain those who are ill or suffering especially those in our prayer list. In times of change, remind us of your steadfast love. Lord, in your mercy,
receive our prayer.

God of community, your Spirit holds us together. Sustain our care for one another. Inspire us to seek new ways to live together and to embrace the diversity of thought and identity in our communities. Lord, in your mercy,
receive our prayer.

God of memory, we give you thanks for faithful ones who have died especially those who have departed in the past year. Tend to our grief and sorrow with renewed trust in your promise of abundant and eternal life. Lord, in your mercy,
receive our prayer.

Savior of the nations, come, and receive these prayers and the pleas of our hearts, in the name of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Exchange of Peace

In the tender mercy of our God,
the dayspring from on high shall break upon us,
to give light to those who dwell in darkness
and in the shadow of death,
and to guide our feet into the way of peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

All are seated.

M E A L

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.
The Table is prepared.*

Offertory Hymn

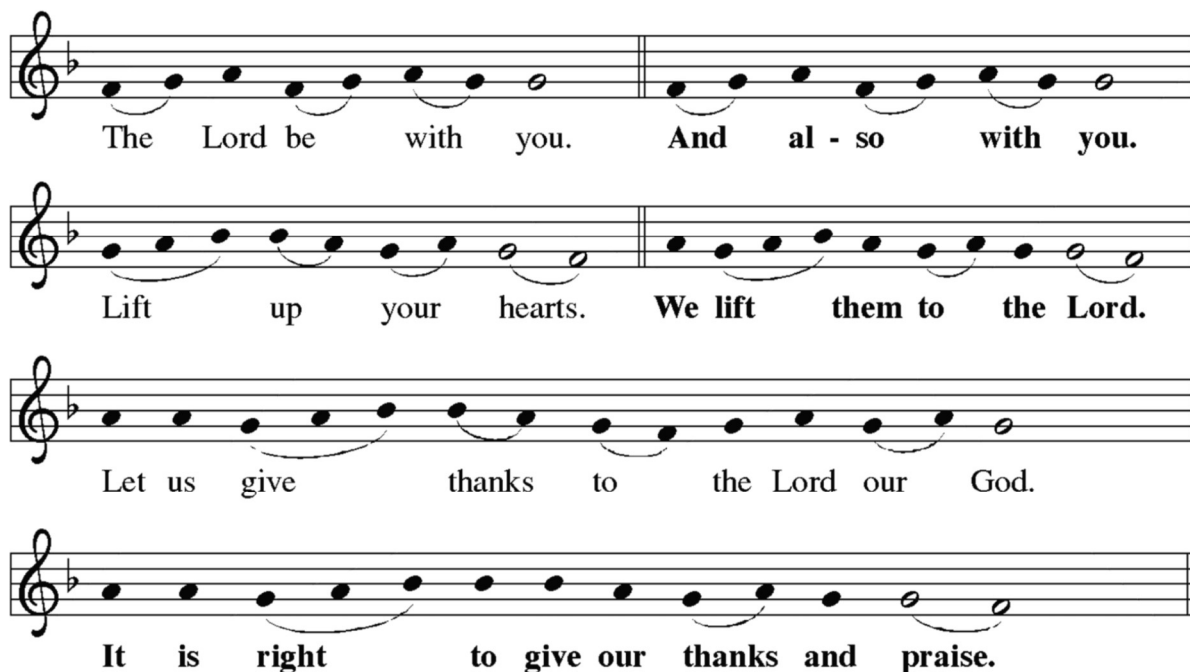
Come Now, O Prince of Peace

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The Offering Prayer

Creator God,
you made the whole world,
even the farthest stars,
and you draw near to feed us.
We praise you for these gifts of bread and wine.
Strengthen us with this food
that we may live in expectation
for the advent of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Dialogue



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

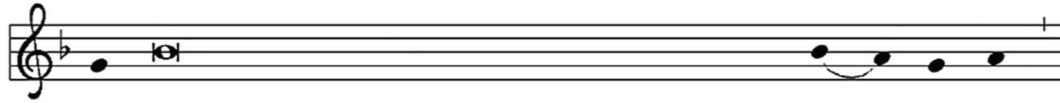
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Proper Preface



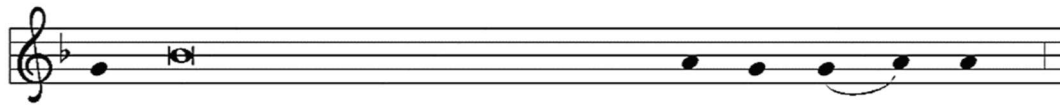
It is indeed right, our du - ty and our joy,



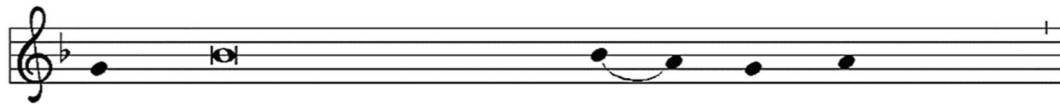
that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you,



al - mighty and merciful God, through our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ.



You comforted your people with the promise of the Re - deem - er,



through whom you will also make all things new



in the day when he comes to judge the world in righ - teous-ness.



And so, with all the choirs of an - gels,

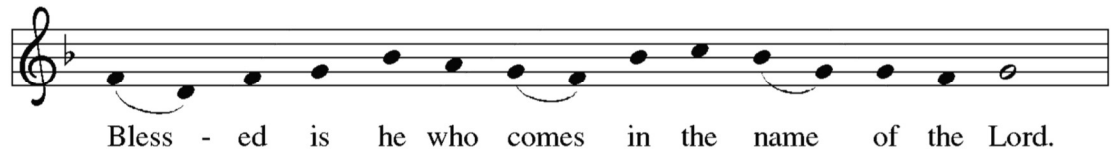
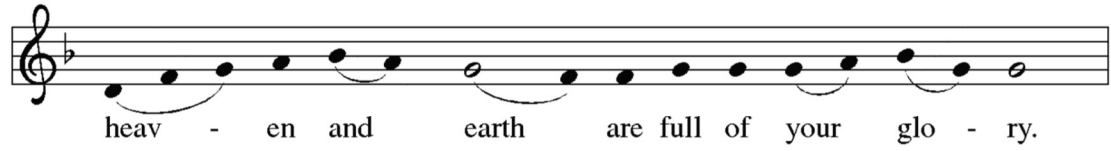
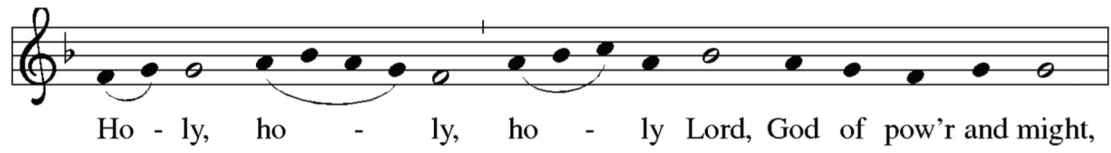


with the church on earth and the hosts of heav - en,



we praise your name and join their un - end - ing hymn:

Sanctus (*Holy, Holy, Holy*)



Eucharistic Prayer *(Adapted from A New Zealand Prayer Book)*

Creator God,
We praise you for your love in coming to us,
Unworthy though we are.
Give us grace to accept the Christ who
comes in your name,
and the courage to be Christ for others.

We praise and thank you Creator God,
For you have not left us alone.
Each year you come to us, Emmanuel,
God with us in a manger.
Each time you come to us
in the broken bread and the cup we share.
In time or out of time you will be revealed
And we shall see you face to face.

Give us courage, God our strength,
To see your Christ in all who suffer,
To be hands to the helpless,
Food for the hungry,
And justice for the oppressed.

And so we remember, that in the night in
which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave
thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the
forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:



Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

Therefore loving God,
recalling your great goodness to us in Christ,
his suffering and death,
his resurrection and ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate our redemption with this bread
of life and this cup of salvation.
Accept our sacrifice of praise and
thanksgiving which we offer
through Christ our great high priest.

Send your Holy Spirit that these gifts of
bread and wine which we receive may be to
us the body and blood of Christ, and that we,

filled with the Spirit's grace and power, may
be renewed for the service for your
kingdom.

United with Christ with all the saints who
stand before you in earth and heaven,
with John the Baptist,
the Blessed Virgin Mary, Elizabeth,
Zechariah, Simeon and Anna, we worship
you, O God, in songs of everlasting praise.

Blessing, honor and glory be yours,
here and everywhere,
now and forever.

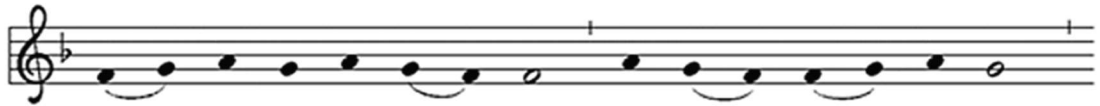


A - men, a - men. A - men, a - men.

The Lord's Prayer



Lord, remember us in your king - dom, and teach us to pray.



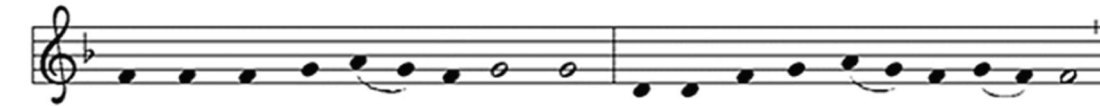
Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your name,



your king-dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav - en.



Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins as we



for-give those who sin a-against us. Save us from the time of tri - al



and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow'r,



and the glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er. A - men.





Invitation to Communion

God feeds us with tender mercy.
Come to the table.

Communion Song

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy
on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace. A - men.

† † † **The Distribution of Holy Communion** † † †

Anthem:

The King Shall Come

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Blessing after Communion

The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. **Amen.**

Post-Communion Prayer

Generous God,
we thank you for the gift of life,
for the bread of salvation.
We thank you for coming among us,
for leading us into peace.

We thank you for showering us with mercy,
for sending us into the world.
Come, Lord Jesus, and go with us
as we feed the hungry in your name.
Amen.

S E N D I N G

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Blessing

God of endings and beginnings,
God in the darkness and the light,
God, our hope for the journey,
✝ bless and keep you now and forever.

Amen.

Sending Hymn

People, Look East

ELW 245

Dismissal

Go in peace. Prepare the way for Emmanuel.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude:

Wake, Awake - Paul Manz

John Anderson, Organist

+++ To God Be the Glory +++

Serving in Worship Today

Presiding: **Reverend Rolf Hedberg**

Assisting Mark Winzler

Ushers: Tina Sollinger-Ruggerio

Minister(s): Jeanine Barber

Organist: John Anderson

Brief Announcements

- ✝ Executive Committee, kindly join us right after Worship at Brandt Lounge for our *Executive Committee Meeting* after Worship.
- ✝ The December 7th Pop-Up Shop **needs** *small, inexpensive stocking stuffer gifts* for men, women, and children. We will box & decorate. Please leave in Highland Park School basket in the rear of the church. **THANK YOU!** 🙏
- ✝ Pop Up Store are collecting (*throughout the whole school year*) healthy snacks for Highland Park Elementary School – please bring in healthy snacks with you to our next service!
- ✝ Please check out the calendars & flyers for upcoming Concordia Lutheran Church and Community events!

Daily Readings

December 2 – 8



<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>
Psalm 90 Numbers 17:1-11 2 Peter 3:1-18	Psalm 90 2 Samuel 7:18-29 Revelation 22:12-16	Psalm 90 Isaiah 1:24-31 Luke 11:29-32	Luke 1:68-79 Malachi 3:5-12 Philippians 1:12-18a
<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday, December 8, Second Sunday of Advent</u>	
Luke 11:68-79 Malachi 3:13-18 Philippians 1:18b-26	Luke 1:68-79 Malachi 4:1-6 Luke 9:1-6	Malachi 3:1-4 or Baruch 5:1-9 Luke 1:68-79 Philippians 1:3-11 Luke 3:1-6	

Prayers of the Community



Contact parish office for Prayer requests. Names will be held in prayer for one month, *unless otherwise requested.*

Date Requested	Praying For (person/family)	Prayers For	Requested By
11/24/2024	The family and friends of Eleanor Symecko	As they grieve the passing of Eleanor Symecko	Lanie Turner
11/17/2024	The Family of Megan Fleckenstein	As they grieve the passing of Megan Fleckenstein	Joel & Sandra Baranowski
11/14/2024	Andy Vincens	A swift and smooth recovery as he goes through rehab at Glastonbury Healthcare	Jan Salvatore
11/12/2024	The family of Sindi Pietrorazio	As they grieve the passing of Sindi Pietrorazio	Lanie Turner
11/6/2024	Andrew Troppman	Strength and hope and perserverance as he goes through chemotherapy	Carol & Phil Stoneman
10/29/2024	Jeanne and Al Williams	As they grieve the passing of Jeanne's mother, Lana Brown	Wendy Donagher
10/27/2024	Robert Feder	Resilience, comfort, and healing amidst profound health challenge since March 2023.	Gail Feder
10/27/2024	Dan Burnett	Strength, comfort, and healing during this significant health challenge.	Carol Burnett

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Concordia Lutheran Church

Calendar of Events



Date of Event	Event	Location	Time
Sunday, December 1, 2024	Executive Committee	Concordia Lutheran Church	After Worship
Friday, December 6, 2024	POP UP Store Set up	Concordia Lutheran Church	1 p.m. to TBA
Saturday, December 7, 2024	Pop Up Store	Concordia Lutheran Church	9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Sunday, December 8, 2024	Council Meeting	Concordia Lutheran Church	After Worship
Wednesdays, Dec. 4, 11, & 18	Holden Evening Prayer	Via Zoom - see flyer!	7:00-7:30 pm
Sunday, December 15, 2024	Congregation Meeting with Pastor Maria Hammons	Concordia Lutheran Church	After Worship
Tuesday, December 24, 2024	Christmas Eve	Concordia Lutheran Church	8 p.m.
Tuesday, December 24, 2024	Christmas Eve Social Gathering	Mark's House	Approx. 9:30 p.m.
All throughout School Year	Healthy Snacks for Highland Park Elementary School	Concordia Lutheran Church	All Day



Pop Up Store

Date: Saturday, December 7th

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Location: Concordia Lutheran Church, 40 Pitkin St., Manchester

For Concordia's ongoing transition process.

The Intentions of this Community:

- † Concordia Nursery School Students and their families.
- † The work of MACC
- † For our Cub Scout Pack and Scout Troop
- † For Licensed Lay Minister Beatrice Luciano and Ministerio Nueva Creación
- † For Pastor Simpson and the people of New Horizons
- † For our Friends at Emanuel Lutheran and former members of St. Mary's now merged with St. John's Episcopal Church in Vernon.

Concordia Lutheran Church
 Reverend **Rolf Hedberg**, *Transitional Pastor*
 Mrs. **Margie Gallagher**, *Parish Administrator*

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Christmas Eve Social Gathering

All are invited to a **Social Gathering** on **Christmas Eve** following the 8:00 p.m. Eucharist (*beginning approximately 9:30 p.m.*) at the home of Mark Winzler.

Come and celebrate Christmas together! There will be goodies to eat as well as "cups of Christmas Cheer" to raise!



If you plan to attend, kindly e-mail (markwinz52@aol.com) or call Mark (860-643-1913) OR call Margie at Church Office (860-649-5311) **no later than Wednesday, December 20.**

We have lots to celebrate and be thankful for as we come to the close of 2024.

Please come and enjoy the company! All are welcome!



POP UP Store

Healthy Snacks for



Highland Park Elementary School

School is now *in session* and we are graciously requesting from our congregation: **healthy, non-perishable snacks (no nuts please).**

Examples:



We will be collecting **all school year**, kindly shop for healthy snacks and bring them with you to our next service!

Thank you and God Bless!

Concordia, Emanuel, and Ministerio Nueva Creación



Midweek Advent Worship

Holden Evening Prayer

Wednesdays
December 4, 11, and 18
7:00-7:30 p.m.
Via Zoom



The Zoom Link and Dial-In Information will be disseminated each week beforehand.

Holden Evening Prayer was originally written during the winter of 1986 while the composer, Marty Haugen, was at Holden Village in the North Cascade Mountains of Washington State. With the exception of the lessons and a couple of prayers, the majority of the liturgy is sung. The liturgy lasts about one-half hour.

While it may be used at any time during the church year, it is especially appropriate during Advent because of the Magnificat included in the liturgy.

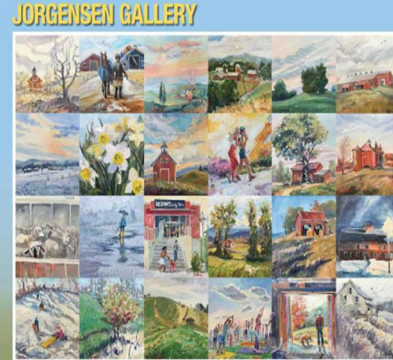


COMMUNITY UPCOMING EVENTS

DECEMBER COFFEE CORNER
 Join us Thursday, December 12th for MACC's Coffee Corner. Discuss the latest events and projects at MACC and learn how you and your organization can get involved. If you want to sign up for our next Coffee Corner please email Operations Manager Patti Thurlow @ pthurlow@macc-ct.org



Date of Event	Event	Place	Time
Saturday, December 7, 2024	Night, Dreaming & Awakening (Concert)	St. Bernard Catholic Church, 25 St. Bernard Ter., Vernon	7:30 p.m.
Thursday, December 12, 2024	MACC's Coffee Corner	MACC	See flyer
Friday, December 13, 2024	Winter Starlight	St. James Episcopal Church, 1018 Farmington Ave., West Hartford	7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Sep 14 - Saturday, Dec. 14	Air Painting On Horsebarn Hill	Jorgensen Gallery/UConn	Mon-Fri, 10am-4pm
Sunday, December 15, 2024	Messiah Sing	United Congregational Church of Tolland, 45 Tolland Green	3 p.m. See Flyer!
June 22 - July 20, 2025	Lutheran Summer Music '25	Valparaiso University in IN	See flyer/Scan QR Code



JORGENSEN GALLERY

FALL 2024


A Year of Plein Air Painting on Horsebarn Hill
by Blanche Șerban

Sat, Sep 14 – Sat, Dec 14

UConn
SCHOOL OF FINE ARTS

This fall Jorgensen Gallery will feature 366 canvases, painted plein air daily over the course of an entire year on Horsebarn Hill in Storrs by award-winning artist and educator, Blanche Șerban. Alternating panoramic views, local scenes, and minute subjects, the project poetically documents the light and the atmosphere on the hill rolling through the seasons. Based in Storrs, Șerban said "I look to paint the air between things that hold the shape of seen and unseen, the transient beauty of changing light, the passing hours and seasons, the fragile balance between the wealth of the material world and the simplicity of formless."

Fall 2024 Gallery Hours:
 Mon - Wed, 10 am - 4 pm
 Thurs, 1 pm - 4 pm
 Fri, 10 am - 4 pm



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The **Vernon** Choral

Presents:



Night, Dreaming, and Awakening

SAT. DEC. 7, 2024
7:30PM

St. Bernard Catholic Church
 25 St. Bernard's Terrace, Vernon, CT

EHREN BROWN
Artistic Director

KATHLEEN BARTKOWSKI
Collaborative Pianist

AUDREY RIVETTA
Conducting Fellow

TICKETS:
 ADULTS \$20 | SENIORS & STUDENTS \$15 | UNDER 18 FREE
 Tickets available online and at the door. For more information and to purchase tickets, scan the QR code or visit vernonchorale.org.





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WEST HARTFORD
WOMEN'S CHORALE
Presents

WINTER
STARLIGHT

FRIDAY
DECEMBER 13, 2024
7:30 P.M.

St. James Episcopal Church
1018 Farmington Ave.
West Hartford, CT 06107
Tickets: \$15
At the Door, or Online at: www.whwchorale.org

Messiah Sing
*Part 1 & Hallelujah Chorus

Sunday, December 15
3:00 PM

FEATURING:
Elizabeth Miller
Susan McAdoo
Paul Patinka
Jermaine Woodard
Directed by Allan Conway

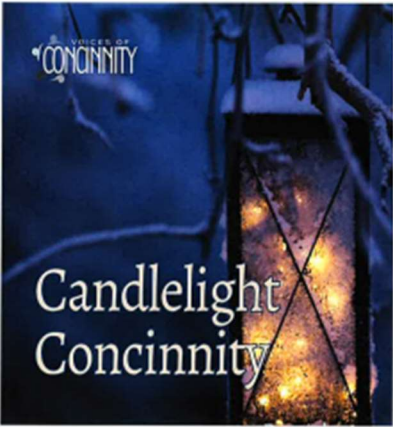
This event is free and open to the public, though donations are happily accepted to help defray costs. You are urged to bring your own score, if you have one, though some copies will be available to borrow.

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45 Tollan Green
Contact: (860) 875-4160
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Poinsettias for Christmas



Each Christmas we invite members and friends of Concordia to purchase poinsettias for our worship space. Please consider making a gift of flowers to Concordia this Christmas. We are also delighted to report that a brass quartet will provide special music Christmas Eve; gifts may be made to offset that expense as well. Financial gifts to support our ministries are also welcome.

Each poinsettia plant costs \$15. Gifts for musicians and ministries are given at the giver's discretion. Please attach payment with this form, and return to the church office by Tuesday, December 17th. Thank you.

I/We give _____ *poinsettia(s)* to Concordia this Christmas Eve:

In memory of: _____

In honor of _____

I/We give \$_____ to Concordia for *musicians*:

In memory of: _____

In honor of _____

I/We give \$_____ to *support Concordia's ministries* in honor/in memory:

In memory of: _____

In honor of _____

Name _____

Phone Number or E-mail _____

*Poinsettias may be taken home after the December 24th service.
Poinsettias that remain will adorn our worship space through the
Christmas season.*

